

of Maryland, where she earned a degree in Social Work. The inequities she observed during those years are what drove her to become a voice for her community. An activist, she organized community members to stand up against a local plan to build a 16-lane highway through neighborhoods in Baltimore, indeed she was successful.

Her career as a government leader began in 1971, when she was elected a member of Baltimore's City Council. Prior to becoming the first Democratic woman sworn into the Senate in 1986, she served ten years as a Representative of Maryland's 3rd Congressional District.

Without a doubt, Senator MIKULSKI's admirable leadership trajectory is reflected through the varied roles she has held in Congress. She has advanced initiatives involving women's reproductive rights and women's health issues. She is currently a senior member of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee and Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Children and Families. She is also a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee and Chairwoman of the Commerce, Justice, and Science Subcommittee. In my work as the House CJS Subcommittee's leading Democrat, I have been grateful for the partnership of my companion in the other chamber.

Senator MIKULSKI is a pioneer who has paved the way for many women. Throughout her career she has served as a mentor for women in congressional leadership and continues to create partnerships to focus the spotlight on women.

Her contributions go beyond the walls of Congress and she continues to be an integral part of her community, greeting constituents and lending a hand to empower and help make a difference. She continues to fight to give Maryland the resources necessary to compete in a global economy.

I invite my colleagues to join me in honoring this notable woman who is making history and extend our gratitude for her service and wish the senior Senator from the State of Maryland good health and good times.

**STEPHANIE GLANCE NAMED MVC
COACH OF THE YEAR**

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 21, 2012

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Stephanie Glance, Illinois State University's women's basketball coach, for being named the 2012 Coach of the Year in the Missouri Valley Conference. Glance guided ISU to an 18–12 record in advance of their appearance in the Women's National Invitation Tournament on March 15th. She is in her second year as head coach of the Redbirds, after 15 seasons as an assistant at North Carolina State and one at Tennessee.

The ISU women's team finished second in the regular season this year after returning just one of its top six scorers and landing sixth in the MVC preseason poll. Glance was named Maggie Dixon Division I Rookie Coach of the Year in 2011.

Glance credited her players for being eager to learn and improve. "They respond so positively to anything you talk to them about," she

said. "It's really a special group." She also pointed to assistant coaches Sheila Roux, Danielle Santos, and Ryan Bragdon for their contributions. "My staff works really hard. They are very driven," said Glance. "They are people who want to be their best. This is not some kind of individual award. It's about the whole program."

I would like to congratulate Stephanie Glance on a great year at the helm of the Redbirds. The players and their families, as well as Redbird fans and the entire Illinois State University community are extremely proud of her accomplishments and contributions.

**HONORING THE OUTSTANDING
PUBLIC SERVICE CONTRIBUTIONS OF
LONGTIME JOHNSTOWN, PA ADMINISTRATOR JIM
WHITE**

HON. MARK S. CRITZ

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 21, 2012

Mr. CRITZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Jim White, a true champion of the people and small businesses of Johnstown, PA. Next month, Jim will retire from his post as Johnstown's Director of Community and Economic Development. In this capacity, he manages millions of dollars in federal subsidies supporting homeowner assistance, street paving and annual demolitions, and oversees the city's planning, zoning, code enforcement and economic development efforts.

Jim became Johnstown's Economic Development Coordinator in March of 1998. Since then, he has helped to revitalize the city's downtown storefronts and improve the city's infrastructure by stimulating investment in neighborhood businesses and cultivating strong relationships with local entrepreneurs. Thanks to Jim's outstanding leadership, the American promise of opportunity is alive and well for all those who live and work in Johnstown.

Jim is the sort of visionary leader our cities need more of. No matter how much he has accomplished for the city of Johnstown, he has never stopped seeing it for what it could be, rather than for what it is. In 2009, Jim played a key role in formulating a master plan for the future of the city. Not even three years later, officials have already begun to implement several of the projects this document proposed, including a plan to comprehensively improve access to Main Street, one of the city's main thoroughfares.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful community, I want to wish Jim the best of luck as he prepares to begin a new chapter in his life. Having worked with him for over a decade, I know that his strong leadership skills and eternal optimism will serve him well in whatever he chooses to do next.

**TRIBUTE TO THE "WELCOME
HOME" VIETNAM VETERANS
CELEBRATION**

HON. CHARLES A. GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 21, 2012

Mr. GONZALEZ. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to the valiant service of Vietnam War and Vietnam-Era Veterans who are being honored at the "Welcome Home" Vietnam Veterans Celebration in San Antonio, Texas.

This celebration is an important opportunity to thank the veterans of the Vietnam War and provide them with the welcoming that many did not receive at the completion of their noble service to our country. It is important and fitting that our nation recognizes the brave service men and women who made profound sacrifices in the Vietnam War including the more than 58,000 Americans who lost their lives and the more than 300,000 who were wounded during the Vietnam War.

The celebration is to be held on March 30, 2012 commemorating the historic withdrawal of United States troops from Vietnam on March 30, 1973. The celebration will recognize veterans in attendance with a presentation of the colors and full military honors.

Throughout American history, our brave men and women have answered the call to protect and defend our democracy. And while our nation may be divided on other issues, we must always stand together in honoring the service and valor of our veterans. I would again ask you to join me in recognizing this celebration for those who honorably served and sacrificed for our country.

**HONORING EDWARD "DUANE"
CANTRELL AND HIS DAUGHTERS
ISABELLA AND NATALIA**

HON. MIKE MCINTYRE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 21, 2012

Mr. MCINTYRE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor, at the laying to rest of Special Forces Edward "Duane" Cantrell and his two lovely daughters Isabella and Natalia, who were 6 and 4 years old, respectively, at Arlington National Cemetery. Duane was, and will always be an American Hero, serving 7 tours in Iraq and Afghanistan before perishing with his two daughters in a house fire in North Carolina. He was a wonderful father and husband. Our hearts wave heavy for him and his family, and especially for his wife Louise who has lost the three greatest loves of her life and his son Kenny from his first marriage. Our prayers lie with this great American family on this day. Fortunately, Duane got a chance to come on a wounded warrior tour a few months before his death, and raved to his family and had planned to come back with the rest of his family. He got to see this great Temple of Freedom that him and his brothers had fought and died for. I ask that this poem penned in their honor by Albert Caswell be placed in the RECORD.

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